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WHITE HOUSE/SECRETARY SCHLESINGER AND GOLDMAN, FEA AND FPC

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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION TO AUGUST 26 CANADA-U.S. GAS
PIPELINE MEETING

1. TORONTO GLOBE AND MAIL, TORONTO STAR, MONTREAL GAZETTE,
OTTAWA JOURNAL, AND CITIZEN CONFIRMED COVERAGE OF MEETING
TO BRIEF REPORTS DATED WASHINGTON WHICH SAID THAT
DESPITE EARLIER PROGRESS IN NEGOTIATIONS, U.S. WAS DIS-
APPOINTED BY TALKS WITH CANADIAN NEGOTIATOR ALLEN
MACEACHEN. REPORTS QUOTED U.S. SOURCE WHO SAID BENEFITS
TO U.S. OF PIPELINE ALONG ALASKA HIGHWAY "SEEM TO BE
EVAPORATING." SOURCE NOTED THAT LACK OF PROGRESS AT
MEETING MIGHT IMPROVE CHANCES OF EL PASO PROJECT BUT "IT
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IS HARD TO TELL HOW IT WILL COME OUT." REPORT CONTRASTED
PESSIMISM OF U.S. COMMENTS WITH STATEMENT BY MACEACHEN
WHO SAID TALKS WENT WELL AND WERE CONDUCTED IN "A GOOD
ATMOSPHERE."

2. AUGUST 27 OTTAWA JOURNAL AND CITIZEN REPORTED THAT
PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE HOUSE LEADER WALTER BAKER FEARS

"SELL OUT" BY CANADIAN NEGOTIATORS. HE SAID REPORTS
LEAKED FROM WASHINGTON INDICATE CANADIANS HAVE DROPPED
CONDITION THAT SPUR LINE BE BUILT CONNECTING CANADA'S
NORTHERN GAS RESERVES AND THAT DOLS 200 MILLION INDIRECT
COST PAYMENT WOULD BE COVERED BY A LOAN. "IF THESE
REPORTS ARE TRUE, BAKER SAID, WE MAY BE SEEING A SELL OUT
IN WASHINGTON OF PRINCIPLES CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL IN THE
NATIONAL INTEREST."

3. TELEVISION AND RADIO COVERAGE OF AUGUST 26 MEETING
PARALLELED NEWSPAPER REPORTING. CTV FEATURED ON-CAMERA
COMMENTS BY SCHLESINGER AND MACEACHEN, LATTER BEING
CONSIDERABLY MORE OPTIMISTIC. ENDERS

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